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TO: All Personal Care and Related Services Providers

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MEMO: Special
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SUBJECT: Rate Increase for Personal Care and Related Services – Effective July 1, 2007

The purpose of this memo is to notify personal care and related services providers that, pursuant to the 2007 Appropriation Act (Item 302.VV), the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) will increase the rates for the services listed below by 3%. This information may also be found on the DMAS Website at www.dmas.virginia.gov.

For dates of service on or after July 1, 2007, the following services have increased rates:

National Code	NOVA/ROS	Code Description	Rates Effective 5/1/06	New Rates to be Effective 7/1/2007
S5126	NOVA	Consumer Directed Personal Assistance/Attendant Care	\$10.82	\$11.14
S5126	ROS	Consumer Directed Personal Assistance/Attendant Care	\$8.35	\$8.60
S5135	NOVA	Companion Services	\$14.33	\$14.76
S5135	ROS	Companion Services	\$12.17	\$12.53
S5136	NOVA	Consumer Directed Companion Services	\$10.82	\$11.14
S5136	ROS	Consumer Directed Companion Services	\$8.35	\$8.60
S5150	NOVA	Consumer-Directed Respite Services	\$10.82	\$11.14
S5150	ROS	Consumer-Directed Respite Services	\$8.35	\$8.60
T1005	NOVA	Respite Care	\$14.33	\$14.76
T1005	ROS	Respite Care	\$12.17	\$12.53
T1005	NOVA	Respite Care-AIDS Waiver	\$15.41	\$15.87
T1005	ROS	Respite Car-AIDS Waiver	\$13.58	\$13.99
T1019	NOVA	Personal Care	\$14.33	\$14.76
T1019	ROS	Personal Care	\$12.17	\$12.53
T1019	NOVA	Personal Care-AIDS Waiver	\$15.41	\$15.87
T1019	ROS	Personal Care-AIDS Waiver	\$13.58	\$13.99
T1016	NOVA	HIV/AIDS Case Management	\$20.00	\$20.60
T1016	ROS	HIV/AIDS Case Management	\$15.00	\$15.45
H2000	NOVA	Service Facilitation Initial Comprehensive Visit	\$219.45	\$226.03
H2000	ROS	Service Facilitation Initial Comprehensive Visit	\$169.05	\$174.12
S5109	NOVA	Service Facilitation Consumer Training Visit	\$218.40	\$224.95
S5109	ROS	Service Facilitation Consumer Training Visit	\$168.00	\$173.04
S5116	NOVA	Service Facilitation Management Training Hours	\$27.30	\$28.12
S5116	ROS	Service Facilitation Management Training Hours	\$21.00	\$21.63
99509	NOVA	Service Facilitation Routine Visit	\$68.25	\$70.30
99509	ROS	Service Facilitation Routine Visit	\$52.50	\$54.08
T1028	NOVA	Service Facilitation Reassessment Visit	\$110.25	\$113.56
T1028	ROS	Service Facilitation Reassessment Visit	\$84.00	\$86.52

NOVA=Northern Virginia ROS=Rest of State

Please note that procedure codes S9122 Congregate - Aide, S9125 Congregate Respite - Aide (without a modifier), and G0238 Personal Care/Respiratory Therapist will no longer be reimbursed as waiver services for personal care and related services.

ELIGIBILITY AND CLAIMS STATUS INFORMATION

DMAS offers a web-based Internet option (ARS) to access information regarding Medicaid or FAMIS eligibility, claims status, check status, service limits, prior authorization, and pharmacy prescriber identification. The website address to use to enroll for access to this system is <http://virginia.fhsc.com>. The MediCall voice response system will provide the same information and can be accessed by calling 1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996. Both options are available at no cost to the provider.

“HELPLINE”

The “HELPLINE” is available to answer questions Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on state holidays. The “HELPLINE” numbers are:

1-804-786-6273	Richmond area and out-of-state long distance
1-800-552-8627	All other areas (in-state, toll-free long distance)

Please remember that the “HELPLINE” is for provider use only. Please have your Medicaid Provider Identification Number available when you call.

COPIES OF MANUALS

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PROVIDER E-NEWSLETTER SIGN-UP

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